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**RE: Monthly Progress Report**  
**Ciba Specialty Chemicals, 180 Mill Street, Cranston, RI 02905**  
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Dear Mr. Battaglia:

As required by the modified Consent Decree (CD) of September 28, 1992, I am submitting the monthly stabilization progress report for August 1999.

## **1.0 SUMMARY**

### **Stabilization Plan (IRM)**

- **Contaminated groundwater in the Production Area (AOC 13)** -- The groundwater extraction wells 110 and 120 and the pretreatment system are operating at near capacity due to the successful rehabilitation of both recovery wells.

Construction of a third production well (PW-130) was completed the week of August 9, 1999.

Since the initiation on September 29, 1995, the groundwater stabilization pretreatment plant has processed approximately 116 million gallons of contaminated groundwater meeting the permit wastewater discharge limits for the City of Cranston, Rhode Island.

- **Soil in the Production Area (SWMU 11)** -- Ciba is reviewing the results of using GAC to remove soil extracted VOAs.



## 2.0 DISCUSSION

### New Production Well 130

D.L. Mayer Drilling Services of North Reading, MA completed the installation and development of new purge well PW-130. URS Greiner Woodward Clyde (URSGWC) will perform a 72 hour pump test of the well at the site beginning the last week in August 1999.

## 3.0 SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

- Complete pump test of PW-130 by September 1999 with report to EPA to follow.
- Start second semiannual sampling of the groundwater in September 1999.

If you have questions or need additional information, please contact me at 732 914-2537 or fax 732 914-2909.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Barry Cohen", written over a horizontal line.

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